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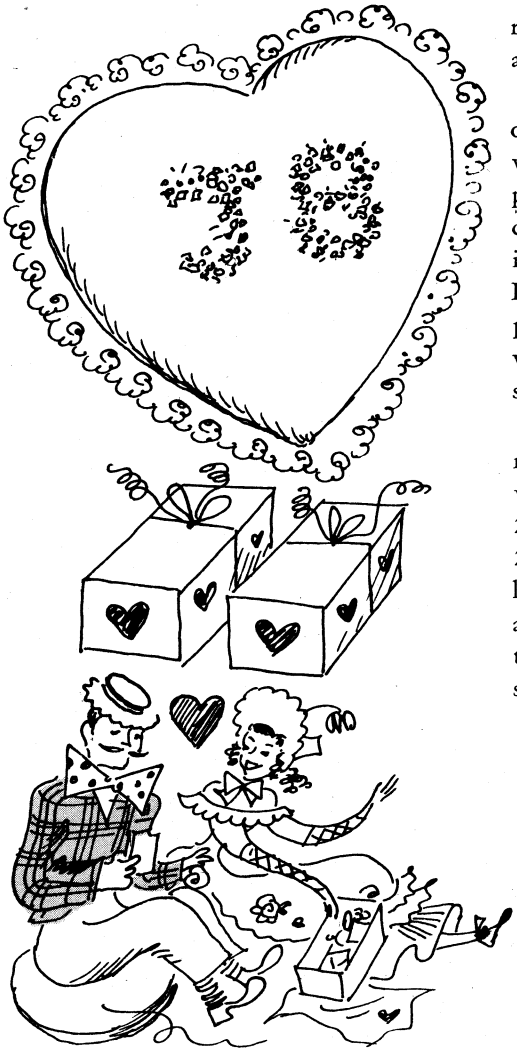
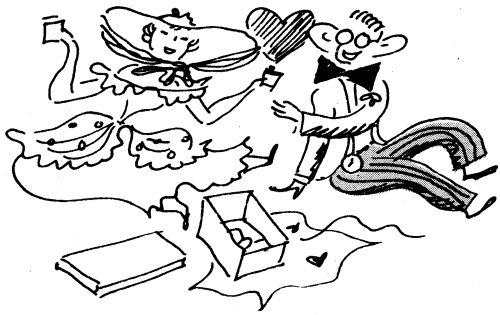
4-ty ideas for your Feb. 4-teen Party



Valentine's Day — tops for parties with razzle-dazzle, thrills! Glamorous ideas to pick-and-choose from. Here's one plan.

Phone friends. Tell each to come as a comic or pretty valentine. Decorate wall of rooms with big, red paper heart cut-outs hung over pictures. On supper table have heart shaped cookies iced in white on paper lace doilies. Boys' initials on half, girls' on others in colored sugar. Boys blindfolded pick girls' initials to get supper partner. Supper packed in shoe boxes decorated with heart seals, big bows. Couples sit for supper on cushions.

Important game: Heart Hunt. Around the room you've hidden red paper hearts — words written on some. Buy gummed ones, and stick 2 together. Who can find most in given time? 2nd part of game. Players combine words on hearts to form a sentence. This should require a lot of swapping — and time. Sentences contain orders players must fill: propose to boy; sing a romantic song; etc. Award prize.



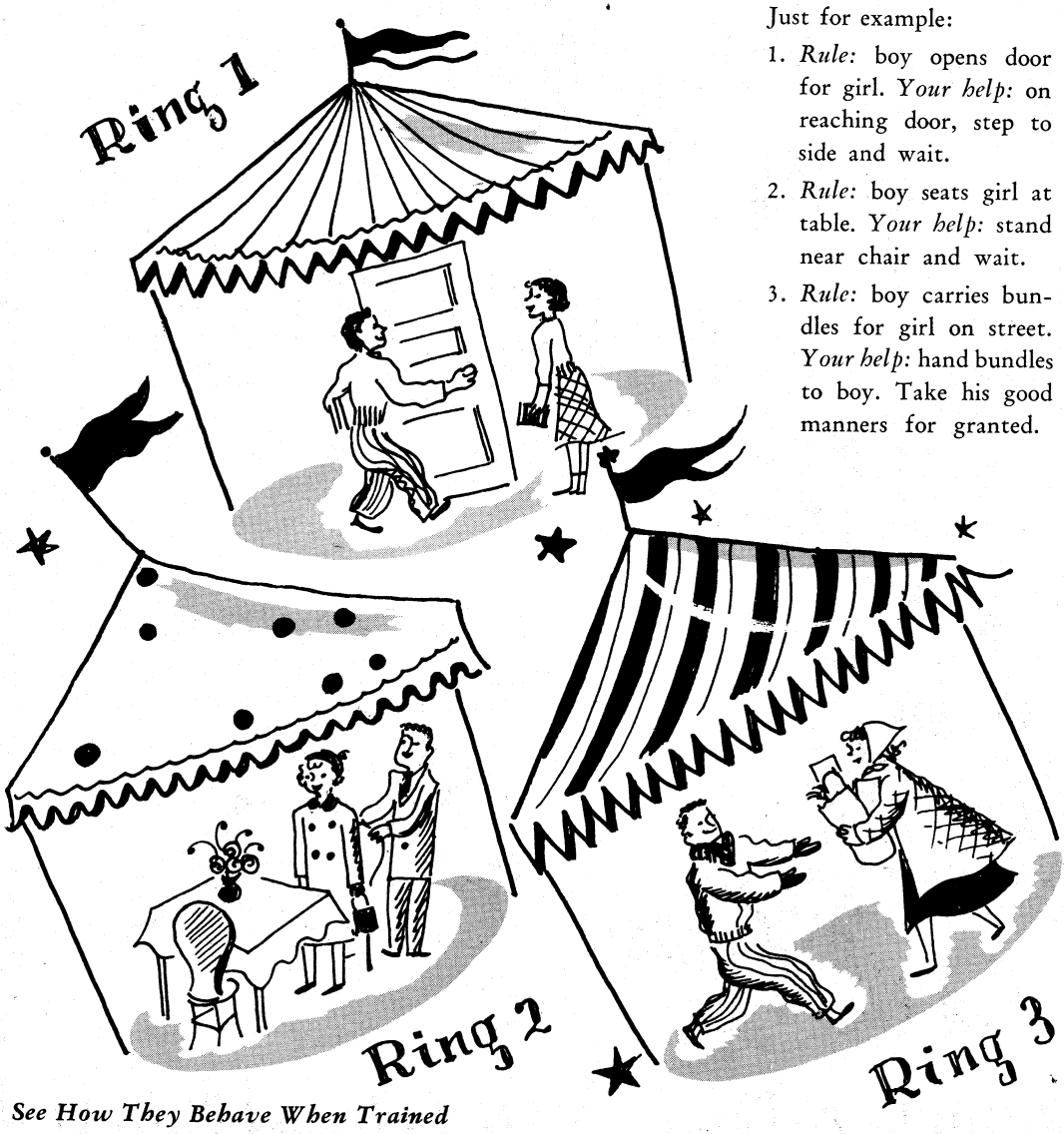
Things to do * Things to Make * fads * good looks. FUN!

In 1949 Be a Boy Trainer

Boys like girls who make them self-confident. Your dates will feel s.-c. if *you* know what *they* should do. That way, you co-operate, anticipate. No fumbling on your part. Read a book of etiquette for boys. Help them — *but!* in-con-spic-u-ous-ly!

Just for example:

1. *Rule:* boy opens door for girl. *Your help:* on reaching door, step to side and wait.
2. *Rule:* boy seats girl at table. *Your help:* stand near chair and wait.
3. *Rule:* boy carries bundles for girl on street. *Your help:* hand bundles to boy. Take his good manners for granted.



See How They Behave When Trained

4-SOME FUN
or ♥ the way to a ♥ man's ♥ heart

Barbara D., Kansas, is just one of our gals who has written, "please give us some ideas about what to do on double dates."

I, Judy, think that the kitchen is the spot, and cooking and eating the stunt for four-some fun. Sure fire with the boys! Give them aprons — and jobs (besides licking the spoons). If you've got a portable music maker, lug it out you've got a portable music maker, lug it out.

To fill an entire evening with fun you might make popcorn balls, taffy — some fun to pull! — or, less time consuming but good to eat, Chocolate Trick Cookies.

If you've gone to the movies or skating first, some He-Man food will taste good, and if it's off-the-beaten path—a bit mysterious—it will be fun to make. No suspense in cooking hot dogs or hamburgers!

Chocolate Trick Cookies

Melt half a pound of semi-sweet chocolate (like Baker's German Sweet) in a double boiler. Dump in a package of breakfast food, the exploded cereal kind — rice, corn, or wheat. If the chocolate will hold it, dump in another package. Stir the stiff mixture lightly. Drop it by the spoonful onto waxed paper. Place in ice box to chill. Remove. Eat.

Rumtumdetty

Unless your Dates have elephant-appetites, there'll be enough of this for the family, too.

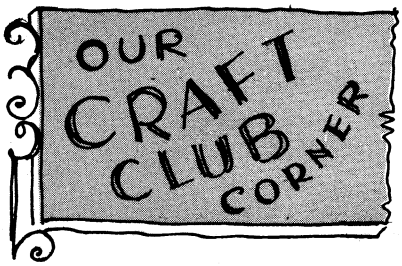
To a can of tomato soup, add a cup of water and 2 onions thinly sliced. Boil till the onions are soft. Add one pound of grated American cheese and stir until the cheese is melted. (In the meantime, the other couple has been beating three eggs with a pinch of salt, pepper, a teaspoon of dry mustard and Worcestershire sauce, if you have it; if not, skip it.) Add egg mixture slowly to tomato mixture, removed from fire. Stir well. Serve on toast.

Bing O! Beef

To make 4 portions, add one cup of dried shredded beef and ½ cup blanched almonds (which your Date has cut into slivers and browned lightly in the oven) to one cup of medium white sauce. Cook and stir just enough to thoroughly heat the beef. In the meantime, the other couple has beaten the yolks of two eggs lightly with a pinch of celery salt. Remove the beef mixture from the fire and blend slowly with the eggs.

If you want to make the boys' eyes pop, serve popovers with your Bing O! Beef. Ready-mixed preparations make popping popovers.

Now pop into the kitchen and have fun!



Our club members look ahead this month to Valentine Day and — strain your eyes — to Mothers' Day. Below: super Valentine idea. Want more? Write for Leaflet No. RS1 713–3¢. Left: a peek at Mothers' D.

For Mothers' Day

Ethel and Joan were talking about Mothers' Day. (This was last year.)

"Instead of just a plain Mother-and-Daughter Banquet, why don't we have a Hobby Banquet?" asked Ethel. The girls had been trying to dream up something different.

"And our mothers can exhibit, too." said Joan to which Ethel added "Sure."

"We can have prizes, certificates of merit, all that sort of thing," continued Ethel.

At the next meeting Ethel moved that "the first week in May our Craft Club have a Mother-and-Daughter Hobby Banquet."

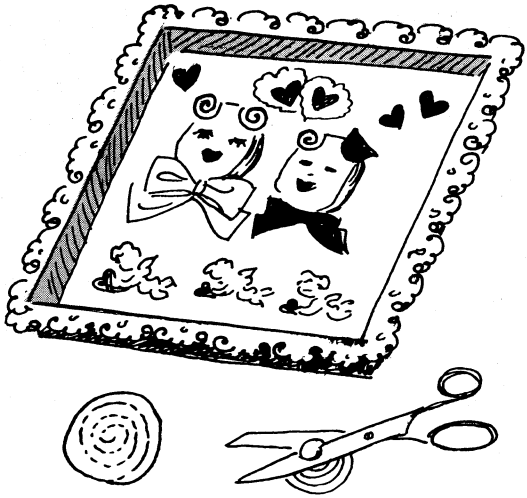
Motion carried unanimously!

And when May came the girls put on such an interesting show that the local newspapers gave it a big hand.

Your club too? Want to follow suit? If so, lay your plans now. Discuss the idea with a few mothers, maybe teachers.

Here are a few of the things you'll want to start working on now: *Displays:* what articles will each girl make? *Tables* — maybe you'll have long display tables with sections laid off with crepe paper streamers, one section for each Mother-and-Daughter team. (Prefer solo to team exhibits?) *Judges:* who? On what basis will awards be made? *Prizes:* what? *Table decorations:* what oh-riginal favors and centerpiece can you plan and make? *Money:* want to raise any for a craft club project, like purchase of more supplies, books, trip to city to view craft displays in shops or museums? If so, will you sell objects exhibited?

Lots of our Teen-Topics girls have become whizzes in paper crafts. What about you? Anything in Ethel and Joan's idea for your club?



For Valentine's Day

Candy faces in a box frame! There's an all-out romantic valentine for the club members.

Line the inside of a handkerchief box with light blue glazed paper or crepe paper. Around the inside edges paste paper lace edging cut from doilies or shelf paper. Conceal the edges under gold cellulose tape or ribbon. (Paper ribbon's best for it can be pasted down.) Stick red heart seals in the corners, cupid seals across the bottom. Then, exciting!, stick marshmallow heads in place. Pin a bow of pale blue ribbon under the girl's chin, a bow of red to the boy's. Make golden curls for the girl by cutting a ½-in. circle of gold paper around-and-around from outside to center. (The wee sketch with scissors shows how.) Pin curls in place. From paper, cut blue eye lashes for girl; green eyes for boy; red mouths for each. (Heart seals cut down are ducky!) . . . Now for the finishing touches! A curl for the boy. For him, too, a red paper cut-out hat. Paper lace valentines over the two . . . Who gets your valentine?

From the old days of Knights-in-Armor to these of Fellas-in-Tweeds, men have had a Soft Spot for hair — beautiful hair on a gal's head.

Natcherally — you must have beautiful hair, so here are 3 c-crets for changing dull locks into Soft Spot growers.

C-cret Number One: C-alories. Your hair gets its nourishment from your blood stream. For hair beauty watch your diet! Eat plenty of nourishing food — vitamin-and-mineral rich food. You know the kind.

C-cret Number Two: C-leaning. Cleaning is divided into two parts — brushing and shampooing. For beautiful hair, brush it clean every night. Remember grandma with her hundred strokes, strokes that swept from scalp to hair ends, and polished as they swept.

A good shampoo begins the night before with an extra thorough dust-removing brushing, followed by an oil-on-the-scalp rub to loosen dirt and to soften cuticle. (Petroleum jelly or a warm vegetable oil applied with cotton will do the trick.)

Next morning brush your hair free of snarls, then give it the soap-and-water treatment. Don't apply cake soap directly to the hair. Like that ring-on-the-bathtub it's difficult to get off. If you're using a ready-made shampoo, liquid or powder, use no more than the directions call for.

With the first suds, go after the loose dirt. With the second batch, attack the scalp-clinging dirt. Then rinse, rinse, rinse — and then rinse some more.

Dry your hair with towels, followed — if you wish — by brushing. Sun and air are fine! Don't pin up wet hair in bobby pins and sleep on it. Dry the hair first, then dampen and set it.

C-cret Number Three: C-ombing. No hair looks beautiful unless it's neatly combed. Now that over-done permanents are out-of-style, it's easier to comb hair to that "shining and free" look that poets (and, you bet, sweethearts) like. Probably you can coax and coddle your "new look" short hair-without a permanent-with loving brushing-and-combing into the softly wavy ends that are today's style.

That's it! To your 3 C's, add 2 more, for C is for coaxing and C is for coddling. C?

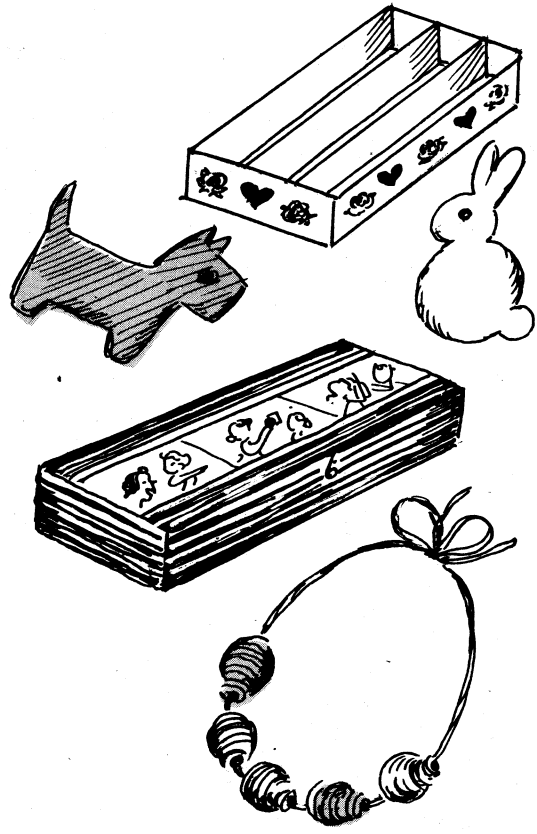
She's Oh-rignal

Barabara S., Ohio, uses a wooden spoon, knife, and fork tray for "jewelry." Keeps barrettes in one section, bracelets in another, etc. Cute to paint tray pretty pastel color and decorate it with gummed seals, hearts, flowers.

Baunelle B., Ohio, makes animal coat pins so — "out of your old felt hat, cut 2 animal shapes. Put cotton between and sew together. Sew on button for eye and safety pin for catch."

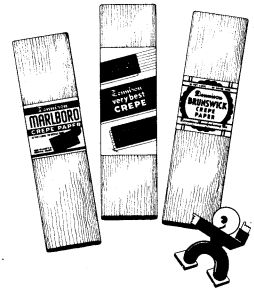
Natalie W., Va., turned a 5 x 10-in. cigar box into an Oh-r. pencil holder. To the lid she pasted a colorful comic strip which she bordered top and bottom with heavy yellow crepe paper twist. Around the sides she pasted dark blue crepe paper twist. (Good thick twist.) From the blue twist she braided a loop-and-eye fastener.

Donna Jean W., Iowa, makes daring necklaces from empty spools of darning cotton, the wee ones. She wraps each with yarn in a different color, then strings them on a length of braided yarn, knotted to hold spools in place.



Shirley fell for him — and so have we! Husky and handsome, with a smile and manners that turn teeners' hearts into spinning tops, no wonder Hollywood snatched up John Agar. (For picture, our thanks to RKO Radio Pictures.)

Ask for Dennison Crepe at your pet Stationery, Department, or Chain Store.



Quiz: how many names has Dennison Crepe? *Ans: 3,* and they are Marlboro, Brunswick, and Dennison Very Best. Teeners' delight!

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